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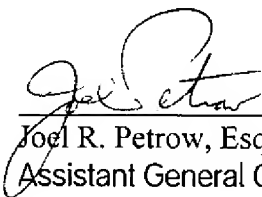
STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(B)

Under 37 CFR §3.73(b), Smith & Nephew, Inc., a Delaware corporation, states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent applications/patents identified on the attached Appendix 1 by virtue of assignments, including assignments from the inventors of the patent applications/patents. The assignments for these patent applications/patents were recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at the Reel and Frame numbers provided in the attached Appendix 1.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

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